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SUBJ: SOMALI SUPPORT FOR TERRORIST GROUPS

REFS: A) STATE 105216; B) MOGADISCIO USIAC 0744

1. AMERICAN DESK OFFICER IN FOREIGN MINISTRY, HASSAN KAID ABDILLAH,

SUMMONED CHARGE ON SHORT NOTICE MAY 10 TO "PROTEST IN STRONGEST

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TERMS" REPORTS RECEIVED BY MINISTRY THAT USG HAD NAMED SOMALIA AS SUPPORTER OF INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM. HASSAN KAID SAID HE HOPED CHARGE COULD GIVE SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION OF REPORTS IN ORDER AVOID WHAT HE TERMED "EXTREMELY SERIOUS" OFFICIAL REACTION BY GSDR.

HE SAID

REPORTS, IF SUBSTANTIATED, COULD HAVE "VERY DAMAGING"

EFFECT ON US/SOMALI RELATIONS "AT A TIME WHEN CERTAIN MOVES"

WERE UNDER WAY TO IMPROVE THOSE RELATIONS.

2. FOR THE RECORD, HASSAN KAID "CATEGORICALLY" DENIED ANY GSDR SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM. USG SHOULD NOT CONFUSE SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS WITH SUPPORT FOR TERRORISM. FORMER WERE NOT TERRORIST IN NATURE, HE SAID. GSDR CONDEMNS TERRORISM WHICH TAKES LIVES "TO NO PURPOSE".

3. CHARGE THANKED HASSAN KAID FOR CALLING HIM IN FOR INFORMAL DISCUSSION BEFORE LAUNCHING FORMAL PDFFCHTZ, SAYING HE BELIEVED GSDR WOULD BE REASSURED WHEN IT HAD FULL FACTS. FORTUNATELY, CHARGE RECEIVED REFTEL A) MOMENTS BEFORE HASSAN KAID'S URGENT SUMMONS AND WAS ABLE TO CONVEY CONTENTS. HASSAN KAID WAS VISIBLY MOLLIFIED. IT WAS AGREED THAT CHARGE WOULD RETURN TO FOREIGN MINISTRY MAY 11 TO CONTINUE CONVERSATION AND HAND OVER SECTION OF REPORT TO SENATOR JAVITS CONCERNING SOMALIA.

4. COMMENT: IT REMAINS BE SEEN HOW MUCH OF AN ISSUE PROUD SOMALIS WILL MAKE OF INCIDENT, WHICH THEY APPARENTLY EQUATE WITH DOD DISCLOSURE OF SOVIET "BASES" IN SOMALIA, BUT EMBASSY BELIEVES REFTEL A) BACKGROUND SHOULD CONTAIN PROBLEM. HOWEVER, IT WOULD HELP US IF DEPARTMENT COULD FIND OPPORTUNITY USE REEWEL PRESS GUIDANCE, EITHER IN QUESTION AND ANSWER FORM OR, IF THAT IS NOT CONVENIENT, IN SOME OTHER PUBLIC MANNER. IT WOULD ALSO BE HELPFUL IF IBS DROPPED NAMES OF COUNTRIES FROM NEWS FILE (REFTEL B)).

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